

## REMARKS

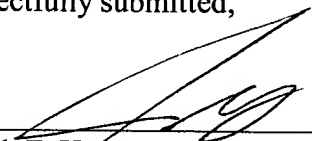
In the final Office Action mailed August 18, 2004, all pending claims except for Claims 789-800 and 824-825 were allowed. Claims 789-800 and 824-825 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, for having recitations that were inconsistent with the recitations in independent Claim 765. In response to these rejections, Applicant has amended or cancelled various ones of these claims. In view of these amendments, Applicants respectfully submit that the 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, rejections have been overcome and that all claims are in condition for allowance.

Also, Applicant has amended Claims 740, 741, 742, 744, 745, 748, 749, 751, 752, 753, 754, 757, 759, and 762 to change the phrase “at least *one* additional tool” to “at least *two* additional tools” because these claims refer to Claim 704, which recites two additional tools.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicant respectfully submits that this application is in condition for allowance. Reconsideration is respectfully requested. If there are any questions concerning this Amendment, please phone the undersigned attorney at (312) 321-4719.

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Respectfully submitted,

  
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